

HOW TO SURVIVE NAZI AIR RAID



This graphic picture shows how merchant seamen and fishermen who continue to carry out their duties in the North Sea and around the coasts of the British Isles, take cover when attacked by Nazi air raiders. The machine-gun bullets from the raiding planes can easily penetrate more than a foot of wood.

ALLIED PROTECTION FOR THE NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES

ANOTHER THREAT OF FORCE

Italian Minister & Mediterranean

ROME, May 11 (Reuter).—"Force alone can modify an existing situation judged to be contrary to one's interests," declared Admiral Cavagnari, Under-Secretary of the Navy, presenting his Naval Budget in the Senate.

"In the Mediterranean the serious disturbance caused to international maritime traffic by French and British control is felt particularly by Italy. The geographical, strategic and economic situation in the Mediterranean must be changed because it is contrary to the natural right of peoples."

New Battleship Soon

Admiral Cavagnari announced that Italy's fourth 35,000 ton battleship will be launched in June.

The series of 3,400 ton cruisers are nearing completion and will be put to service at the scheduled date. All submarines provided in earlier programmes are nearly completed and new submarines and destroyers will be immediately laid down.

In the event of war, Admiral Cavagnari said the fleet would have at its disposal 100,000 men.

Sports Meetings Cancelled

PARIS, May 11 (Reuter).—As a precaution against air attacks, racing and all other sports meetings in France have been cancelled until further notice.

U.S. DISPLAYING KEEN INTEREST

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, May 11 (UP).—The Netherlands Legation here to-day announced that The Hague has arranged for France and Britain to render joint protection of the Dutch West Indies against the possibility of sabotage.

The Legation indicated that more British and French forces will be landed later.

The Venezuelan Charge d'Affaires here to-day informed Mr. Sumner Welles that the economies of his country would be seriously affected if the oil refineries in the Dutch West Indies were damaged because they handle a large portion of Venezuelan oil production.

U.S. Fleet Watching

Legal authorities here say the Indies are not related to the Monroe Doctrine or Pan American Security Zone because the British, French and Dutch are now Allies.

Meanwhile the United States Fleet is watching the entire situation.

America's Vital Interests

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, reminded all Governments that the United States has vital interests in desiring the maintenance of a status quo in the East Indies.

Asked regarding the statement made by Mr. Arita at Tokyo, Mr. Hull replied: "During recent weeks, a number of Governments including Britain, Japan and the United States have made clear in official and public utterances their attitude of continued respect for a status quo in the Netherlands Indies."

"This Government assures each of the Governments it will continue to abide by those commitments," He then referred to his statement of April 17 and said: "The expressions of intention to respect the status quo in the Indies cannot be too much reiterated."

To Prevent Sabotage

LONDON, May 11 (Reuter).—It is learned in authoritative quarters in

London that the Netherlands, French and British Governments have been in consultation on steps to be taken to prevent possible German attempts at sabotage of the important oil refineries at Curaçao and Aruba.

In view of the danger that the local authorities might have insufficient forces at their command to deal with such attempts, it was agreed that an Allied force should at once be dispatched to co-operate with the local administration in execution of the necessary measures for the security of the islands.

Allied units have already landed and have been cordially welcomed. The United States Government has been kept informed of the position by the Allied diplomatic representatives in Washington.

Hull's Statement

WASHINGTON, May 11 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, the U.S. Secretary of State, to-day reiterated that the United States would regard any change of the status of the Netherlands East Indies as "prejudicial" to the stability of the peace of the "entire Pacific area."

Mr. Hull recalled at his Press conference that the United States, Britain and Japan all made clear recently that the integrity of the islands would be respected and commented: "This Government assumes that each of the governments which make the commitments will continue to abide by those commitments."

Growing Concern In U.S.

Fear For Future Of D.E.I. Exports

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" WASHINGTON, May 11 (UP).—Growing concern is being shown in official quarters here regarding the future of imports from the Dutch Indies, while trade circles believe that the Indies can largely offset the loss of United States export market in Belgium and Holland if the trade lines can be kept open.

Representative Sol Bloom, Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, to-day demanded a speedup of the programme for the nation's purchase of strategic war materials. He charged that the present supplies of tin would last only for three days if the United States entered the war.

Tin, Rubber Supplies

Secretary of Commerce, Mr. Harry Hopkins, has cancelled some leaves and vacations in his Department, and was in conference with President Roosevelt to-day on the problem of rubber and tin supplies which, he said, would meet commercial demands only for three or four months.

Exports from the United States to the Dutch East Indies last year totalled \$35,420,000 while imports totalled \$92,971,000. Exports to Holland totalled \$96,636,000 and imports totalled \$28,934,000.

United States Position

WASHINGTON, May 11 (UP).—Mr. Cordell Hull's re-iteration of the United States position today failed to excite diplomatic circles, which was generally evaluated as at present being in a state of stalemate and official quarters are confident that no complications need be expected.

Government circles expressed the belief that Japan, at present, is willing to await developments, although they are prepared to take advantage of any break in the immediate situation, while the United States is similarly prepared, watchful and waiting, and satisfied to support the status quo in the Far East which Japan is likewise pledged to support.

Philippines Not Alarmed

State Department sources said that no alarming inquiries have been received from the Philippines, indicating they do not anticipate any drastic eventualities.

The preponderance of informed views is that Japan at present does not constitute a threat to the Philippines, except as a possible stepping stone to the Dutch East Indies which, logically, is their chief economic objective.

On the other hand, official quarters point out, the Indies cannot be approached by naval forces without exposing the rear to a naval threat from the Philippines where the United States minor bases at Cavite and Olongapo could serve as emergency bases for major operations if they are not reduced before a major attempt against the Indies—2,000 miles from Japan's nearest naval base.

Reynaud To See King Leopold

LONDON, May 11 (Reuter).—According to the Paris radio, it is believed that Mr. Paul Reynaud, the French Premier, will shortly visit Brussels and will be received by King Leopold during the visit.

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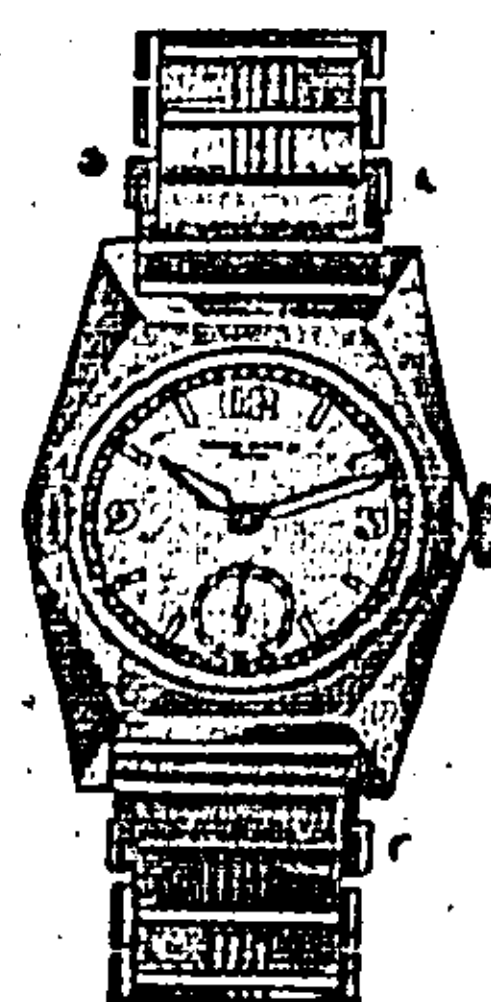
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In 1940 to meet the increasing needs of sick and destitute children in Hong Kong, against which the income to date is \$12,000 only. In order to continue its work, the Society appeals for the balance of \$23,000 before the close of the financial year on 31st October. A copy of the Annual Report for 1939 may be obtained from:

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CHURCHILL'S NEW CABINET

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whether members of the War Cabinet or not, and will be consulted when questions arise affecting the general character and aims of the Government, including conditions of peace, says a "Reuter's" message.

"Reuter's" Lobby Correspondent writes: "The size and nature of the appointments shows that Mr. Churchill has accommodated himself to a view other than his own."

Smaller War Cabinet

"The demand for a smaller War Cabinet has been insisted and though Mr. Churchill himself has pointed out in the debate certain possible limitations of such a body, he now adopts it."

"An idea has been prevalent in political circles that Mr. Chamberlain would return to the Exchequer and release the Premier from routine Commons duties by taking the leadership in the House of Commons."

"Neither Labour nor some backbench Conservative opinion appeared to like the plan. In any case there is no leadership of the Commons mentioned in the official announcement, which leaves it nominally in Mr. Churchill's hands."

"Mr. A. V. Alexander was expected to return to the Admiralty where he was First Lord from 1929 to 1931."

"Mr. Eden's new appointment will be popular and Sir Archibald Sinclair will be felt to have fitted himself into the general scheme without regard to personal or party status in a manner that should make his appointment generally acceptable."

"The remaining Government appointments are expected on Monday."

These Have Been Dropped

A "United Press" message says that Mr. Churchill has dropped Mr. Chamberlain's closest friends, Sir John Simon and Sir Samuel Hoare, who were connected with the ex-Premier's policy of appeasement and the "betrayal" of Manchuria and Ethiopia.

In addition he has cold-shouldered Mr. Oliver Stanley, who, during his brief term as War Minister, was blamed for the reverses in Norway and Britain's failure to overtake Germany's aeroplane production.

Lord Hankey has also been dropped from the new Government.

No Place For Lloyd George

Mr. Winston Churchill failed to give Mr. Lloyd George a post in the War Cabinet or among the important ministers outside the Cabinet.

However, the appointment of non-Cabinet Ministers is not yet completed.

It is noteworthy that the office of Chancellor of the Exchequer, one of the most important Ministries, has yet been filled.

Mr. Churchill, as Minister of Defence will preside over the co-ordination of the three Defence Ministries.

No. 10 Statement

A statement issued from No. 10 Downing Street to-day said that outside leaders of the three parties, whether they are members of the Cabinet or not, will be consulted when questions arise affecting the general character of the Government's aims including any conditions for peace.

Labour To Approve

LONDON, May 11 (Reuter).—It is expected that the Labour Party Conference at Bournemouth will register approval of the War Cabinet on Monday, says "Reuter's" Lobby Correspondent.

The first Labour reactions to-night are that with only one departmental man, Lord Halifax, in the War Cabinet it is one of war concentration and its structure represents a greater part of what Labour had hoped to secure.

Mr. Churchill will lead the House of Commons.

Giants Trounce Dodgers

NEW YORK, May 10 (Reuter).—Feature of the Major Baseball League matches to-day was the defeat of the Brooklyn Dodgers, leaders of the National circuit, at the hands of the New York Giants.

Scores were:

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
New York	7	12	2
Brooklyn	2	5	0
(Danning homered for the Giants).			
Pittsburgh	0	12	1
Chicago	3	5	3
(Davis homered for the Pirates).			

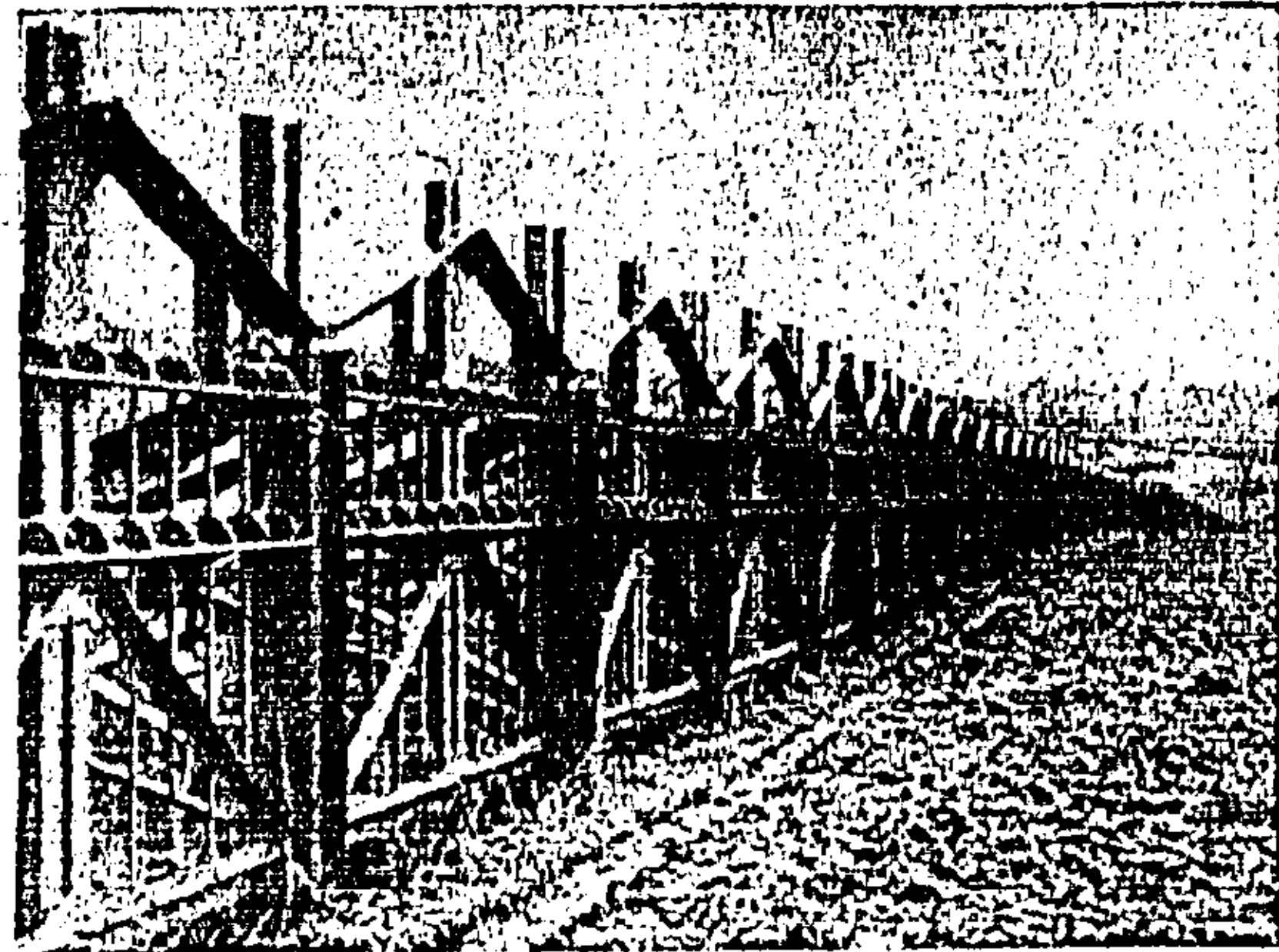
AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
Boston	3	0	1
New York	2	0	3
(Ten innings were played. Mills homered for the Yankees).			

WASHINGTON			
	R.	H.	E.
Washington	7	11	1
Philadelphia	0	11	1
(Walker homered for the Senators, Johnson for the Athletics).			

CHICAGO			
	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	0	7	0
Detroit	3	7	0
(Newsome pitched for the Tigers).			

ST. LOUIS			
	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	4	10	1
Cleveland	0	12	1
(Lamb homered for the Browns).			

Lt. R. K. Valentine, C. Blaker, G. Miskin and D. L. Strellett have been promoted to be Captains in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.



CONFRONTING Germany on the Belgio-German border is this extra-ordinary steel fence, an unconventional contraption designed to stop troops and to open them to enfilade from the flanks. German territory can be seen on the right of the picture.

Germany Closes Hungarian Frontier MOBILISATION BY SWITZERLAND

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

The German Government has suddenly, and without explanation, closed the German-Hungarian frontier, says "Domei".

A "Reuter" message from Stockholm states that the Swedish Cabinet held a very long session this morning. Switzerland has ordered General Mobilisation of all forces, says "United Press."

The Swiss Army is being massed on the German border. No German civilians are being permitted to enter Switzerland.

"Reuter" quotes from Berne a broadcast made by the President of Switzerland.

He called on the country to keep calm and warned the people that the situation was dangerous.

The war, he said, had seized upon new and pitiful victims.

Three friendly countries had been dragged into the war.

Switzerland was at present still safe but he emphasised that the situation created by the invasion of the Lowlands was serious.

"We must be ready," he said. "The entry of foreigners will be more strictly watched, passenger and goods traffic will be strictly controlled and the Swiss Army on the frontiers will be placed on a war footing on Saturday."

"You will understand and appreciate these precautions," he continued. "They are absolutely indispensable. The troops will do their duty whatever happens, the civilians will do theirs."

Spain's Assurance

A "Reuter" message from Paris states that assurances have been received by the French Government that General Franco intends to remain neutral.

LIEGE FORTRESS SURRENDERS?

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detachment suffered losses when they were fired on by Belgians while trying to cross the Maas river at Maerweyck.

Irresponsible reports that the Germans had captured The Hague cannot find official confirmation, even in Berlin, and it is believed that any troops which may have been landed from the air behind the main Dutch-Belgian defence lines were of comparatively small numbers.

Fort Put Out Of Action

LONDON, May 11 (Reuter).—The German High Command announces that the strongest fortress of the fortifications commanding passage on the River Maas and the Albert Canal to the west of Maastricht surrendered this afternoon.

The Commander and 1,000 men were taken prisoner, the communiqué adds.

It is stated that the fort was put out of action yesterday by a special detachment of the air force using new methods of attack.

The garrison yielded after an army detachment attacking from the north had succeeded in establishing contact with the air force detachment.

Belgian Report

LONDON, May 11 (Reuter).—The Brussels radio said that it was officially announced that "so far no fighting has taken place north of Liege."

MERCILESS NAZI AIR RAIDS

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from Sulpice in the Oise district where 40 were killed and 60 wounded.

18 French Towns Bombed

WASHINGTON, May 11 (Reuter).—The State Department has received diplomatic reports stating that planes have bombed 18 towns in France and violated Swiss territory many times as they were flying to France.

It is stated that the bombs were released over a Ford Motor factory in Antwerp yesterday afternoon without inflicting serious damage.

INVASION DESCRIBED

The Full Story Of Nazi Crime

PARIS, May 10 (Reuter).—A communiqué states that the action of the German troops in Belgium and Luxembourg was preceded in the early hours of May 10 by a large-scale air attack.

Besides bombing attacks, numerous groups of infantry landed by parachute at different points in Belgian and Dutch territory.

In Holland especially they tried to take the aerodromes by surprise. On the whole they were successfully counter-attacked by local troops.

Attack On France

The enemy air attack started in the second half of the night on French territory and continued during the day.

Some material damage of little importance was done by the bombing.

Fighting is taking place at Luxembourg.

The German attack extends up to the "region of Stavelot" slightly to the east of the Moselle.

How It Started

AMSTERDAM, May 10 (Reuter).—"Reuter's" special correspondent says that the first news of the crisis came half an hour after midnight when it became known that telephone as well as telegraph communications were interrupted.

At 2.45 am residents were awakened by heavy A.A. fire.

Looking from the windows, the people saw a single German bomber flying high, brilliantly illuminated by a dozen searchlights. Shells flashed around it but it disappeared out of range.

Firing All Night

Afterwards the shooting continued all night.

From 4 a.m. to 6 a.m. there were continual salvos as German bombers flew over the city in groups of three, five, ten or more.

Once the fire was drowned by a series of heavy explosions. It was stated that it was the Schiphol aerodrome being blown up.

Now and then there was a roar as a Dutch fighter zoomed up to keep German planes from the centre of the city.

Landings Announced

Soon after dawn, the radio announced a series of landings by German parachutists and the whereabouts of various German bomber formations, showing that the information organisation was working most efficiently.

News that Belgium and Holland had appealed to the Allies and that the Dutch had given the invaders a determined answer caused the atmosphere to change miraculously.

British and French shook hands with the Hollanders that they met in the streets.

The coolness of the people was astonishing. The usual flood of cyclists streamed the roads, going to work as usual, only pausing to buy special editions of newspapers.

Ambers Loses Lightweight Title

NEW YORK, May 10 (UP).—Young Lew Jenkins to-day won the lightweight championship of the world by scoring a technical knockout over Lou Ambers in the third round of their title bout at Madison Square Garden. The fight was scheduled for 15 rounds.

NAZIS PREPARE FOR WEST FRONT ACTION

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

GERMAN forces along the entire Western Front from Switzerland to the coast are prepared for the offensive that is now under way, says a German High Command communiqué, quoted by "Domei".

Compensation For War Requisitions

New Powers Given To Governor

Further definition of the powers conferred on the Governor under the war emergency regulations are contained in a new issue of the Hongkong Government "Gazette."

A series of new regulations sets out in detail the obligations of the Governor in relation to property, land, ships, planes and vehicles requisitioned by the Governor under his emergency powers.

Where land or property has been requisitioned, compensation payable by the Governor will be computed by adding the following sums:

The rent which might reasonably have been otherwise expected; the cost of making good any damage done by the Governor; allowance for expenses reasonably incurred in complying with the requisition.

Under this section the taking over of accommodation in a ship or aircraft will be considered a requisition of property.

Agricultural Land

Where agricultural land is involved further compensation will be paid to the amount which might reasonably have been expected in addition to rent. Agricultural land is defined by the regulations as any land used as arable, meadows or pasture land, or used for poultry farms, market gardens, nursery grounds or orchards.

No compensation will be paid for any appreciation of value due to the emergency or to diminution of value ascribable only to loss of pleasure or amenity.

Compensation for the requisition of ships, planes and vehicles will be computed on a similar basis. There are special compensations for maintenance work performed by the owner. In any case of total loss compensation will be paid to the value of the vessels, vehicle, or aircraft immediately before the occurrence of the damage which led to the loss.

Total loss under the regulations is deemed to have the same meaning as it has in insurance law.

Rights Defined

The regulations define the rights of charterers, lessees and other persons entitled to the use of vessels, or space in them.

In the case of requisitioned goods the Governor will pay only the sum which the owner might reasonably have been expected to have obtained by sale at that time. Where the owner or the manufacturer or producer compensation will be assessed as the production cost plus reasonable profit.

Special Tribunals

Special tribunals will be set up to settle any claims arising out of disputed compensation.

The Shipping Claims Tribunal will consist of a president and two other members appointed by the Governor. The president and one other member will be members of the legal profession with special knowledge of commercial and admiralty law; the third a person appearing to the Governor to have special qualifications as an average adjuster or accountant.

A General Claims Tribunal of not less than three persons appointed by the Governor, one a judge of the Supreme Court, will hear disputes other than shipping. There may be several divisions of this tribunal but none will be of less than three members.

These tribunals will have power to make rules for the procedure of notifying, presenting and hearing claims and to order persons to attend and give evidence. They will also assess costs in matters brought before them.

Compensation under these regulations will carry interest from the date it accrues until payment at a rate not exceeding 5 per cent.

The regulations are deemed to have come into operation on August 24, 1939.

TROOPS LAND BY AIR

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from houses in The Hague on Dutch police and troops who were patrolling the streets.

"These Germans were killed" tersely adds the communiqué.

Another passage in the report says that the Waalhaven aerodrome which is the only one in German hands, was bombed by the R.A.F.

At Rotterdam, German troops who occupied some parts of the town met with a hot reception from Dutch army units, which are now cleaning up the town.

round of their title bout at Madison Square Garden. The fight was scheduled for 15 rounds.

The European war, "Domei" adds in a message from Washington, has now jumped from the economic blockade to the decisive military stage.

Neutral observers in Washington and Berlin are of the opinion that the Germans will make use of any conquests they can make in the Lowlands for an aerial bombardment of Britain and, possibly, attempt an invasion.

Italy Enigma

Observers believe that Signor Mussolini is ready to throw aside the mask of "non-belligerency" at any moment in order to promote Italy's interests in the Balkans.

It is believed by neutral observers in Berlin, says "Domei", that the United States may despatch its Battle Fleet to Australian and Dutch East Indies waters for "demonstration" purposes.

The opinion in Berlin, "Domei" adds, is that the United States will enter the war on the side of the Allies.

Hitler Drops Mask

PARIS, May 10 (Reuter).—"Hitler has dropped his mask."

"Now it is France's turn to show the way with her troops and planes."

"Everyone is ready to do his duty."

"France has drawn her sword."

—The French Premier last night.

Defence Reserve Assignments

The following persons have been re-assigned from the Key-Posts Group to the General Group for Essential Services in the Hongkong Defence Reserve:

Messrs. W. A. Ahern, L. R. Andrews, W. H. Bailey, H. Barrett, C. Cairns, D. G. Cairns, V. H. W. Cullen, B. H. Church, A. G. Clarke, W. H. E. Colledge, J. Davidson, J. Dickson, A. B. Didsbury, D. C. W. Fitches, H. G. Fuller, O. F. Hamilton, W. G. Hicks, W. R. Hillier, T. E. Jackson, J. Jolly, E. L. Jones, W. A. Jones, K. Keen, D. Kossick, W. O. Lambert, H. A. McKay, W. L. Morrison, A. J. R. Moss, A. G. Parker, H. V. Pearce, A. L. Powell, R. Roskruge, W. S. Smith, C. G. Solis, G. Swan, T. Talton, R. A. Trengrove, H. G. Wallington, J. P. Whitefield, D. N. Willis, J. R. G. Wyatt.



BELGIUM'S SUDETENLAND:—Here is a view of Liege, one of the largest towns in Belgium, which has also come under the fire of German air raiders.

BLACK-OUT IN PEIPING

Start of Air Defence Exercises

PEIPING, May 10 (Reuter).—The entire city was blacked-out to-night on the first day of the three-day air defence exercises.

Special measures are being taken to control lights while certain measures are also taken to control traffic in connection with the sounding of air raid alarms.

Drill is also being held in towns along the various Japanese-controlled railways in North China.

Anti-Gas Measures

To-morrow practice measures for combating gas attacks and incendiary bombs will be rehearsed together with first aid and drill.

Only official cars will be allowed to traverse the city streets to-morrow night.

The practice is being held under the supervision of the Commandant of the Japanese garrison in Peiping. As the activities of the Chinese air force in North China are practically nil, the Japanese are having complete mastery of the air. The reason for the exercises is slightly obscure.

Oppositionists Arrested

BRUSSELS, May 10 (Reuter).—Leon Degrelle, leader of the Belgian Rexist (Fascist) Party and Decler, leader of the Flemish Nationalist Party, were arrested to-day.

Two Flemish Nationalist Deputies, Tollennere and Grammens, are also reported to have been arrested.

REACTION TO SPEECH

"U.S. Must Eventually Join The War"

WASHINGTON, May 11 (Reuter).—Whatever was intended by President Roosevelt's speech last night, it is being widely interpreted by the man in the street as an announcement that America must eventually join the war.

The attack on the low countries seems finally to have brought home to the public that Mr. Chamberlain's description of Hitler was nearer the truth than they had previously realised.

President Roosevelt's speech has, therefore, acted like tonic.

President Gratified

WASHINGTON, May 11 (Reuter).—Mr. Stephen Early, President Roosevelt's secretary, stated that the President was gratified at the reaction to his speech yesterday when he said that aggression abroad presented a definite challenge to American civilization.

The speech had brought several thousand telegrams to the White House and nine out of ten were favourable.

The remaining 10 per cent. favoured "peace at any price."

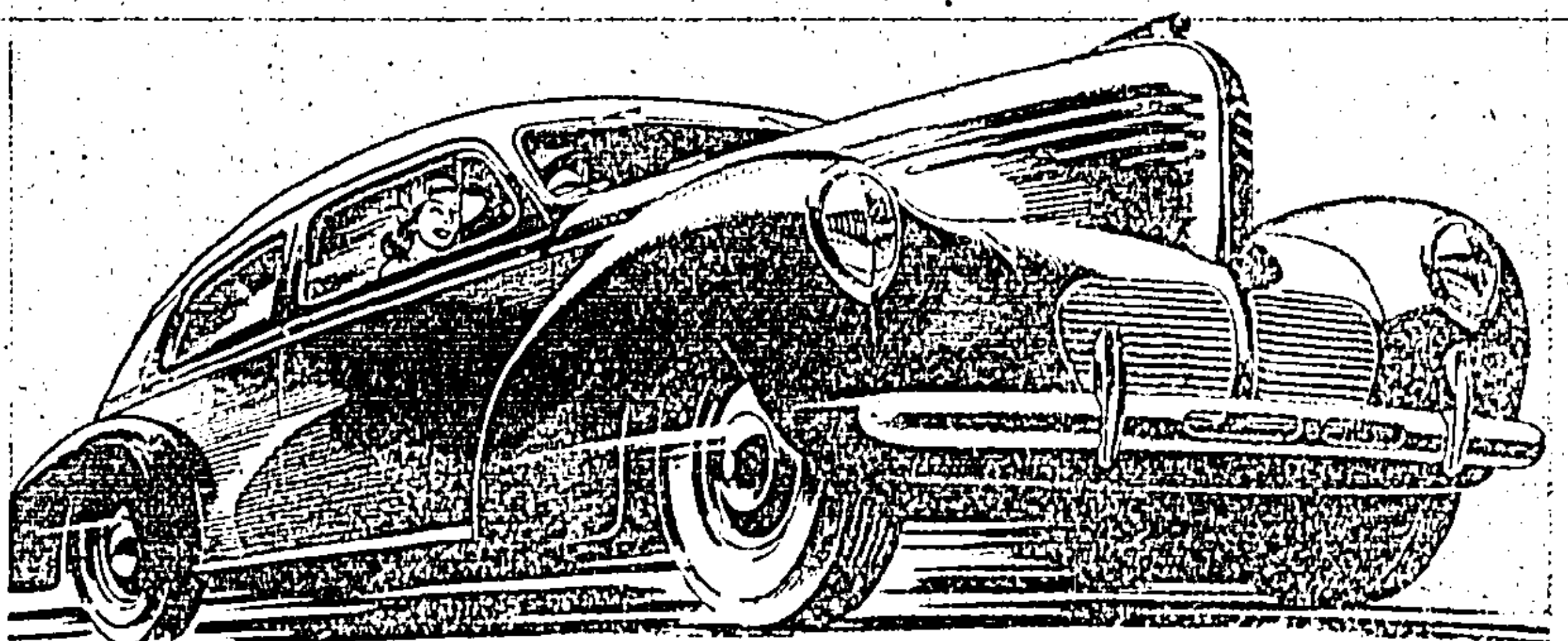
U.S. Envoy Sees Count Ciano

ROME, May 10 (Reuter).—The United States Ambassador was summoned urgently to Chigi Palace to-day and saw Count Ciano, the Foreign Minister.

No information is available regarding the subjects discussed.

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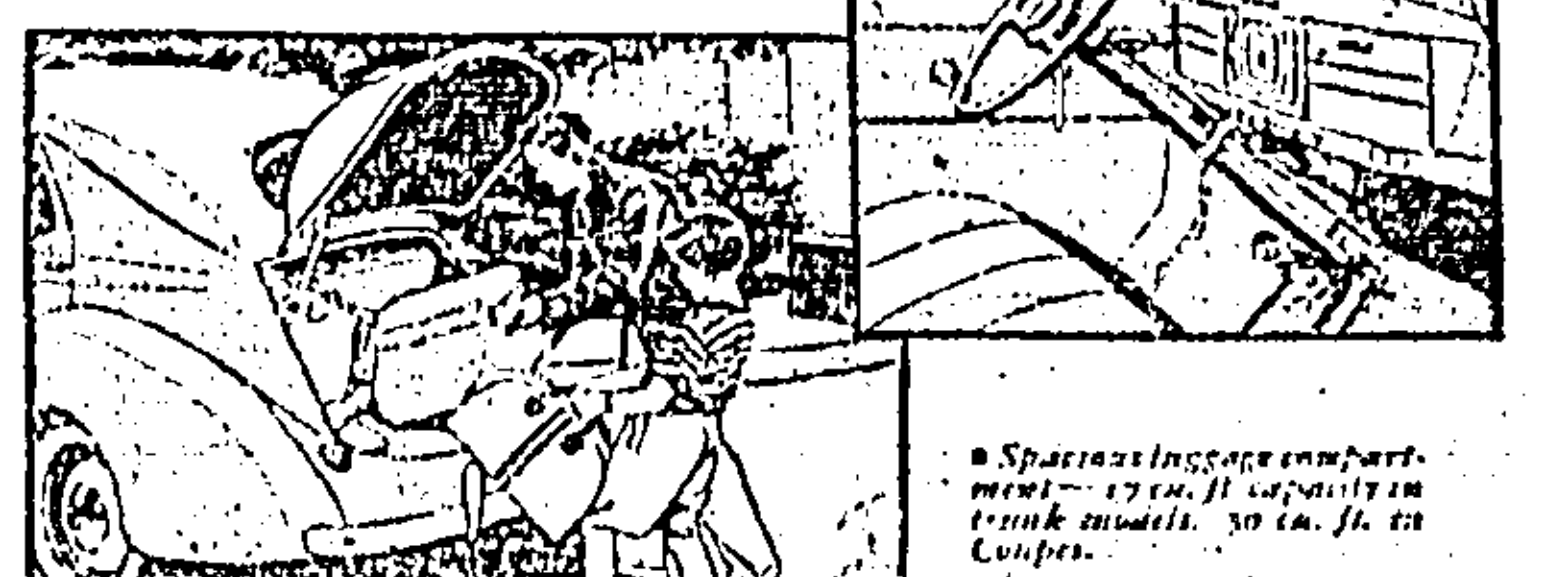
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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, MAY 11 (UP).—THE LEADER OF A FLIGHT OF SIX BLENHEIM BOMBERS TO-DAY DESCRIBED THE DESTRUCTION OF GERMAN TROOP CARRYING PLANES.

YESTERDAY EVENING, HE SAID, THE BLENHEIMS DIVED FROM 5,000 FEET OVER THE AIRDROMES IN WHICH THE GERMAN AIRCRAFT WERE GROUNDED, RIDDLING THE TROOP CARRIERS WITH 18,000 ROUNDS OF MACHINE GUN AMMUNITION.

LATE NEWS

NEUTRALITY ACT EXTENDED

WASHINGTON, May 11 (UP).—President Roosevelt has extended the United States Neutrality Act to Belgium, The Netherlands and Luxembourg.

It has also been announced that France will begin shipping supplies by air across the Atlantic this summer.

The service will use the northern route from Bordeaux to Ireland, to Newfoundland and also from Lisbon and the Azores to Bermuda.

The eastbound service will not carry mails.

Fighting planes which escorted the British bombers set fire to two troop carriers on the beach north of the Hague after which they power dived and fired on another one.

Air Ministry Report

The Air Ministry issued a communique saying the R.A.F. last Friday night, attacked German concentrations between the Rhine and the Meuse when strong forces attempted advancing across the Rhine towards the Dutch frontier.

The attack centred on the bridge over the Rhine near Wesel—bombs were seen to hit an important railway junction and bridges at Aderkerke, Geldern, Rees and Goch.

Rotterdam 'Drome Ablaze

LONDON, May 11 (Reuter).—It is learned authoritatively that during last night and early this morning the aerodrome at Rotterdam, already damaged on Friday, was subjected to the heaviest bombardment of the war.

The aerodrome was left ablaze after a series of raids lasting nearly six hours, during which several hundred high explosive bombs were dropped.

Wave after wave of R.A.F. bombers registered direct hits on the hangars in the airfield and a group of buildings on the north-east corner of the aerodrome.

When the last British raiders flew off in the early hours of the morning, fires were raging in all parts of the aerodrome and through the drifting smoke, 20 four-engined aircraft could be seen blazing fiercely.

No R.A.F. losses were sustained.

Enemy Forces Bombed

LONDON, May 11 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announces that detailed reports are now available of last night's attack by the R.A.F. on enemy concentrations between the Rhine and the Meuse.

At the time of the attacks, strong enemy forces were advancing across the Rhine towards the Dutch frontier. Hits were obtained on a bridge over the Rhine near Wesel and on a line of traffic at its approaches.

The enemy's advance was further hampered by a series of operations in which bombs were seen to hit important railway and road junctions and bridges at Tielkerke, Geldern, Rees and Goch.

China War

Chinese Claim Big Success

CHUNGKING, May 11 (Reuter).—Chinese troops claim to be smashing a Japanese army of 150,000 men in the biggest battle of the Far Eastern war since the fall of Hankow two years ago.

According to dispatches reaching here, seven Japanese divisions, advancing in the plains east of Shanghai, north-west of Hankow, walked into a trap and the Chinese launched a general counter-offensive in which it is stated they recaptured important positions and inflicted 130,000 casualties.

THIS ONE CAPS EVERYTHING

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BERLIN, May 11 (UP).

—The Nazis are still trying to convince the Belgians that the invasion of Belgium is nothing but a friendly gesture.

In a special programme broadcast to Belgium to-night, a speaker declared: "All we wish is the right to march through your country."

"Belgium is too small to resist the force of the Germans."

"Welcome German brothers who are fighting for the common cause against capitalism and plutocracy!"

ATTACKS ON BERGEN

Success By Fleet Air Arm Planes

LONDON, May 11 (Reuter).—An Admiralty communique announcing attacks on Bergen says:

"The Fleet Air Arm made two further attacks on the enemy at Bergen. In one attack the naval aircraft obtained three hits on an enemy warship, believed to be the Bremse."

"In a second attack, complete surprise was achieved. Enemy fuel tanks were attacked and heavily damaged. Two of the largest were set on fire and flames were seen to spread."

Many Successes

"Since May 2 the Fleet Air Arm has shot down 20 enemy aircraft off Norway besides accounting for many others on the ground."

"A further 51 enemy aircraft have been destroyed by anti-aircraft fire of the fleet."

(According to "Jane's Fighting Ships," the Bremse is a 1,400-ton gunnery training ship.)

Nazi Planes Busy

STOCKHOLM, May 11 (Reuter).—The "Svenska Dagbladet" reports that there has been increasing activity by German aircraft attacking the British naval force in the Narvik region.

The correspondent says that French aircraft attempted to destroy Nordals Bridge.

Several German planes flew off their course and were warned off Swedish territory by anti-aircraft fire.

Wounded Germans state that no German reinforcements had arrived at Narvik itself by the parachutists dropped north of Narvik.

Italy Not To Fight?

Strange Statement From New York

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" NEW YORK, May 11 (UP).

According to the General Manager of the Italian shipping line, the flagship of which is the Rex, he has received private advices indicating that Italy will not enter the war.

The Rex sailed at 12.30 p.m. to-day for Italy, carrying 200 passengers.

Anti-British Demonstration

However, according to a Rome message an anti-British demonstration was staged outside of the British Embassy to-day.

The Embassy has lodged a protest with the Italian Government.

It was lodged after the British Charge d'Affaires, Sir Noel Charles, had found it necessary to be escorted by the police from the middle of a throng of demonstrators.

DUTCH TROOPS MAKE STRATEGIC RETREAT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

AMSTERDAM, May 11 (UP).—Dutch troops on the frontier are now withdrawing in the face of the German advance.

This fact is admitted in an official communique issued by the Dutch High Command to-day, which says that the withdrawals are taking place in accordance with orders.

The withdrawal follows hours of intensive fighting, in the course of which Dutch troops drove back a German detachment, and destroyed an armoured train, together with all the Nazi troops it was carrying.

Allies to Rescue

THE HAGUE, May 11 (Reuter).—A Dutch Military Headquarters communique states: "British and French troops have come to our assistance and side by side with the Netherlands forces will defend our national territory."

"Our frontier troops are continually fulfilling their tasks. The demolitions planned were duly carried out by these troops which were later withdrawn."

"After fierce attacks by our forces lasting four and a half hours, a village captured by the Germans yesterday was retaken on the same day."

"During this action, the entire personnel of a German armoured train were wiped out. Pamphlets in the Netherlands language as well as Netherlands uniforms were found in the train."

"The garrison at the old fort of Pannekoek are stubbornly holding firm in face of enemy action."

"To the east of Arnhem the enemy succeeded in crossing the River Yssel."

British Aircraft Active

"British aircraft repeatedly bombed the sole aerodrome still in German hands. German troops from this aerodrome have advanced to certain points but action to eliminate them is being taken."

"An attempt to raid the Police

Soccer

Drawn Game At Glasgow

GLASGOW, May 11 (Reuter).—Hampden Park was its usual colourful self to-day when an estimated capacity crowd of 75,000 spectators saw England and Scotland play a drawn match of 1-1 in aid of the Red Cross Fund.

The teams were: England—Woodley; Sprston, Hapgood; Williamson; Cullis; Mercer; Matthews, Martin, Broome, Welsh and Smith (Millwall).

Scotland—Dawson (Rangers); Carabine (Third Lanark); McClure (Hearts); Shankly (Preston); Baxter (Middlesbrough); Brown (Hearts); Castle (Everton); Walker (Hearts); McCulloch (Dorset); and Dougal.

The game opened at a terrific pace, England taking the initiative. The Scottish attack was disjointed and the defence was tied up. The English forwards had plenty of room in which to work but had few chances of shooting, though Broome was very unlucky when he headed against the bar.

Scotland improved as the game developed into a very even encounter. Half-time arrived with no score.

Thrilling Resumption

The resumption saw some thrilling play and Welsh gave England the lead with a hard left-foot drive in the fifth minute.

Both goals had several escapes, and then Dougal equalised in the 15th minute, England's appeal for foul being disallowed.

The English defence several times cleared desperately. Scotland slowly gained the ascendancy and scored in the closing minutes but the goal was disallowed for foul.

The final result was 1-1.

Third Round Draw

LONDON, May 11 (Reuter).—The following is the draw of the third round of the Cup, to be played on May 18:

Fulham	v.	Nottingham Forest
Everton	v.	Stoke
Huddersfield	v.	West Ham
Coventry	v.	West Bromwich
Barnsley	v.	Blackpool
Arsenal	v.	Birmingham
Blackburn	v.	Sunderland
Newcastle	v.	Bristol Rovers

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BELGIANS RESIST

Parachutists Are Captured

LONDON, May 11 (Reuter).—A Belgian High Command communique broadcasting by the Brussels radio says:

"During the day of May 10 and the night of May 10-11, our troops made contact with the advanced elements of the enemy."

"Engagements took place at several points."

Landings Fail

"During the night of May 10-11 enemy parachutists landed at several places in the interior of the country. Most of them were captured or put out of action."

"Several bombing raids were executed against junctions of communications, but without causing important damage."

"Our own aviation and our air raid protection were extremely active."

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